

# GEORGETOWN CREW'S PLANS BEGIN TO TAKE DEFINITE SHAPE

## VAIL'S SIGNATURE AS ROWING COACH CHEERS STUDENTS

Georgetown Crew Prospects Look Good. Veteran Material.

The 1908 future of the Georgetown crew was practically settled yesterday, when the coach for the season was signed.

The students have been wondering all year whether Georgetown would go to Poughkeepsie next spring, and now it seems certain, according to Manager Woods, that the blue and gray will be one of the contestants at the annual intercollegiate race.

Charles W. Vail, of Boston, has agreed to the Georgetown terms and will arrive in the city this week to take charge of the candidate on the machines. Work along this line will be started Wednesday, according to present plans. The signing of Vail has been a probability all year, but up to yesterday there had been considerable dicker over the terms of agreement.

On to Poughkeepsie.

Vail has gained considerable distinction throughout the country as a coach in aquatics. He has been actively engaged in instructing the Ariel Boat Club of Baltimore, one of the leading organizations of its kind in the East.

The Poughkeepsie trip is now said to be certain, for the reason that the finances at Georgetown are in the best shape they have been in the past three years. Also, the crew department has not the expenses to stand this year that it had last, such as buying a new shell, having the clubhouse renovated, and the repairing of the Georgetown launch.

Many Veteran Oarsmen.

Manager Woods has been making a canvass for candidates for work on the machines. He promises well, as more men have signified their intention of trying for places this year than has been the case at Georgetown for some years past. Five of last year's Poughkeepsie men are on hand again this season and have signified their intention of trying for the eight. They are Captain Fitzgerald, Woods, Murray, Chapman and Elise. Lynch and La Plante, first substitutes last year and varsity men in 1906 are also on the list.

Linus Moran, manager of the track team this year and a member of the 1906 eight, is another aspirant. New candidates in sight are Reilly, Tighe, Fitzpatrick and Tom Stuart, of the 1907 Henley eight; Glennon and McNulty, of the football team; Madden, Brimmarter and Joliet, freshman crew; Brimmarter, Willis, Cuddey, McKinley, L. Smith, Yund, Baillargeon, and Boland. Dealing With Middies.

There has been practically no talk of a race with Annapolis since the Christmas vacation and the prospects for such a race are dubious. The scheduling of a baseball game and the request of a wrestling meet by Annapolis make it look as though there might be a hearing of the breach which arose when Georgetown suddenly canceled its rowing race with the Middies last year, giving as an excuse the poor condition of her men.

No word has been received from Princeton concerning Georgetown's challenge to a rowing race, but it is believed that if Princeton arranges any dual rowing races for this year the first one will be with Georgetown.

## MARQUETTE LEAGUE WILL MEET TODAY

Special notices have been sent out by Secretary Nat Worley for a special meeting of the Marquette Baseball League to be held at the residence of Capt. C. Eugene Edwards, president of the league, 1713 First street northwest, at 4:30 p. m. today.

All the delegates of last year's team are especially requested to be present. The question of admission of two new teams, playing grounds, and eligibility of players will be taken up. This league is in favor of players being allowed to play on one team only in the District of Columbia, and want the other leagues to join in this movement and stop the practice of players playing on three or four teams.

## NEW RELAY EVENT FOR JUNIOR CLUBS

Manager Flemming, of the George Washington University, announced last night that he had arranged a three-cornered relay race between the Gurley A. C. Juniors, the Bloomingdale A. C., and the Baltics for the George Washington games on January 25.

These teams have long been rivals in various branches of athletic sports, and among the feature relay races this race will be a top-notch.

The Bloomingdale Club is the oldest organization of the trio, but the men who will run for them are much younger and much smaller in stature than their rivals.

All three teams have been training hard for some time. Manager Young, of the Gurley Juniors, having put his men to some severe tests last week. Manager Klopfer, of the Baltics, has been giving his men hard work all week. Rore, Swaine, and Elliott have made first, second, and third places the team, fourth place is still being contested for, and as the number trying for it is large, Manager Klopfer was unable to state who might possibly make the place. Captain White, of the Bloomingdale team, has picked his team, and reports all his men as being in the prime of condition, and still training hard.

## GRANTED PERMITS FOR AUTOMOBILES

The following have been granted permits to operate motor vehicles in the District as the result of the regular semi-monthly meeting of the Automobile Board:

J. W. Alderton, 1015 East Capitol street, gasoline.  
Thomas H. Atkinson, 1101 G street northwest, motor cycle.  
Vernon K. Ayre, 208 F street northwest, electric.  
Louis B. Baltzley, 1303 Euclid street northwest, gasoline.  
Evan Brunning, 1744 P street northwest, electric.  
James J. Costes, 2135 Wyoming avenue, electric.  
Willard Clapp, 227 New Jersey avenue southeast, gasoline.  
G. R. Lee Cole, M. D., 418 Seventh street southwest, gasoline.  
T. F. Fealy, 1335 Fifteenth street northwest, gasoline.  
William Glanz, Arlington Hotel, gasoline.  
Thomas F. Herbert, 511 F street northwest, electric.  
William A. Mellen, 1908 Kalorama avenue, gasoline.  
Joseph S. Mooney, 1254 Potomac street northwest, electric.  
Elgar Parsley, Seventeenth and U streets northwest, gasoline.  
Baron Von Prouschon, the Highlands, electric.  
Arthur S. K. Ray, 11 Third street northeast, motor cycle.  
John Schellberg, 1155 Sixteenth street northwest, gasoline.  
Charles G. Sharpe, 1637 Massachusetts avenue northwest, gasoline.  
F. C. Stevens, Jr., 1628 Sixteenth street northwest, gasoline.  
W. A. Sutherland, 104 Seventeenth street northwest, gasoline.  
F. J. Ward, 715 Twelfth street northwest, gasoline.  
Miss C. B. Williams, 3121 Newark street northwest, steam.  
N. B. Wolcott, 615 H street northwest, gasoline.  
M. Gray Zallinski, U. S. A., 1524 K street northwest, electric.

## KING ENCOURAGED WHEN HIS RACERS WIN THEIR OATS

Will Be Active on Turf Next Season—Foreign Notes.

LONDON, Jan. 11.—King Edward, encouraged by the showing his horses made on the turf during the past season, when for the first time in several years his winnings amounted to enough to pay the bill for oats, will take a much more active part in racing during the next season.

His Majesty's string in training will consist next season of not less than twenty-five horses, all of them mostly bred, and several of them giving promise of developing into stake horses of the first class. King Edward is immensely popular with racing men, and always has taken a keen interest in the sport, and should his anticipations be realized it will give very general satisfaction.

The question of the standing and walk-up starts is still being discussed among racing men. The former owner of the famous Spectre, in a recent article on the respective merits of the standing and walk-up starts, declares that if the standing start had been in use when the Diamond Jubilee was on the turf, the colt would never have won the Derby, because his temper was against him.

A prominent South African starter says that the old-time Australian barrier, which was first in use, modifications of which are now in general use in America, has been abolished, and one known as Walker's patent is in use in South Africa.

The merits of the tapes fly over the horses' heads, not away from them, so quickly as to be hardly discernible, and it never gets out of order.

Richard Croker's old trainer, J. J. Parkinson, who is well known in America, is doing well with his new training stable on the Curragh in Ireland. Parkinson has taken Maddens-town Lodge, and has some seventy-five horses in his charge belonging to a score of owners. He expects to send many winners to the Irish races this year.

The death is announced in Germany of the once famous mare Geheimsnis, at the age of twenty-eight. As a yearling she was bought by the noted jockey, Tom Cannon, for \$1,550, and sold as a two-year-old to Lord Stamford for \$10,000. She could give ten pounds to the best horse in the world, but she was beaten in the sensational St. Leger by the 40 to 1 shot, Dutch Oven. Geheimsnis was owned by the Emperor of Germany when she died.

American jockeys have things pretty much their own way on the Russian tracks. Winfield, an American negro, leads the list with 110 wins out of 200 mounts. Richards, also an American, comes second with seventy-four wins out of 400 mounts, and Edgely Gannon, with 100 wins out of 200 mounts, is third on the list. The American jockeys are very popular with the Russian horsemen.

Under recent enactments it will hereafter be possible on French race courses to race two-year-olds after the first Monday in June. They must be selling platters, however, the concessions being made in answer to requests from owners of large stables. Up to recently, two-year-old racing could not begin in France until the last day of July.

Tommy Burns will spend St. Patrick's Day in London very pleasantly, he hopes. He has made an engagement to meet Jim Ritchie, the Irish champion, on that day for a purse of \$7,500 and a \$2,500 side bet, and is confident of placing the winner's end of the purse together with side bet to his credit with his bankers, and it is generally believed Tommy's hopes are well founded, despite the fact that he is to meet the Irish champion on the noted day of Ireland's patron saint.

Burns meets Jack Palmer on February 10 at Wondersland, for a side bet of \$2,500 and 50 per cent of the gross receipts, of which the winner will get 75 per cent and the loser 25. This, also, is regarded as a pick-up for the American fighter. Altogether, the American fighter is having a very enjoyable time of it on Britain's hospitable shores.

The actions of the board of education in adding physical training to the public school curriculum is generally commended by the amateur athletic authorities. It has been long recognized that there has been a gradual diminution in the stamina and athletic ability of the British youth, and recruiting for the army has shown a very serious physical deterioration in the British, and

## SEEKS TO PUNISH COWARDLY DRIVERS

Philadelphia Club Will Co-operate With Authorities to Detect Miscreants.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 11.—Co-operating with the authorities in an effort to break up the cowardly habit of some operators of automobiles who run away after an accident without making any effort to extend aid to their victims, the Automobile Club of Philadelphia has just addressed the following letter to State Senator Roberts:

"January 7, 1908.  
"Hon. Algernon B. Roberts, State Senator, 1617-13 Land Title Building, Philadelphia:

"My dear Senator Roberts: The Automobile Club of Philadelphia has instructed us to write and express to you, as representing Lower Merion township, its approval of your course and its desire to co-operate with the authorities in every possible way in your efforts to discover the identity of the automobile driver who ran down a boy on Montgomery avenue in Lower Merion township a few days since, and after injuring him severely drove off so rapidly as to prevent discovery. This organization is strongly opposed to the driving of machines at dangerously high speeds and to all forms of recklessness. The Automobile Club does not wish to prejudice a man or condemn him unheard, and does not, therefore, desire to be understood as expressing any opinion as to the guilt or responsibility for the accident in this case, but it does feel that the manly and wisest thing for a driver to do under such circumstances is to stop, give his name and render what assistance is possible. We are, therefore, desirous to advise you that if the commissioners of Lower Merion township deem it advisable, the Automobile Club of Philadelphia will be glad to add the sum of \$50 to the reward already offered by the commissioners for evidence leading to the discovery of the driver whose automobile was concerned in the accident above referred to. It is our wish that you use your discretion in advertising this offer of reward and we hold ourselves in readiness to pay it over to whomever you may designate upon advice from you.

"Respectfully yours,  
"A. N. CHANDLER, Pres't.  
"S. BOYER DAVIS,  
"Secretary and Counsel."

The most strenuous efforts are to be made to check it. The movement is supported by the leading men of the country, who do not think it good economy to allow a child to grow up in bad health, and who think that prevention is not only better than a cure, but also is much more economical.

The curate of St. Michaels, Coventry, is making his new mission church popular by the establishment of an athletic club at the church.

Every evening except Sunday the working lads of Coventry come to the church to develop their muscles. They hold boxing contests and practice gymnastics under the eye of the curate, who is a "muscular Christian" and acts as referee and instructor.

Naturally, Mr. Digby has made himself very popular with the youth of his parish. They are mostly workers in the Coventry factories, and find their only recreation in the church boxing club. The curate makes a picturesque figure in his cassock and berretta, smoking cigarettes while he times the boxing matches and puts the boys through their gymnastic exercise.

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## MILITARY INDOOR MEET TO BE HELD MARCH 24 AND 27

Capt. Edwards Predicts Novel Features—Wrestling Tournament.

The athletic board of the Athletic Association, National Guard District of Columbia militia, consisting of Maj. E. H. Neumeyer, president; Capt. C. Eugene Edwards, Capt. E. A. Brian, and Lieut. D. Spencer Bliss, recorder, has authorized Capt. C. Eugene Edwards, manager of athletics, to arrange for the annual indoor meet to be held in the National Guard Armory Hall on March 24 and 27.

The preliminaries will be held on the 24th, and the finals on the 27th. By this arrangement the public will not be bored by the running off of heats. Capt. Edwards will have the regular program and special features and in addition interesting events for the military only. This list of events will be published this week in a circular issued by the management by order of the board.

Star Attractions Promised.

Prof. Horan, physical director of the National Guard gymnasium, promises some very new and interesting special features for the program. Capt. Edwards will have a special relay for the District of Columbia championship and the association will offer a large silver cup and four gold medals for the winners. He will also try to arrange a relay between the National Guard team of the District and the Fifth Regiment team of Baltimore. There will also be a special relay for high and prep schools with a silver cup and medals for prizes. Relay races, in fact, will be a special feature of this meet.

The Seventy-first New York Regiment may be here in a special relay for the New Yorkers.

Wrestling Tournament.

Capt. Edwards is also arranging for an amateur wrestling tournament. He has asked Mr. Wilber for a sanction for February 12, the exhibition to be held in the National Guard gymnasium. The association has just purchased a new sixteen-foot-square wrestling mat for the one destroyed last summer by fire. It is expected that Young Men's Christian Association, Georgetown University, Carroll Institute, Washington School for Boys, Gallaudet, Memorial Athletic Club, and the National Guard Athletic Association will all have entries.

The entry blanks will be issued Monday by Capt. Edwards, and can be had at the sporting goods stores.

## Ormond Promoters Determined to Bar All Freak Models

NEW YORK, Jan. 11.—The Automobile Club of America has organized the contention of E. R. Hollander, of the Flat Automobile Company, and has decided that any car qualifying for the spring events at the Ormond meet must average a mile a minute for one hundred miles.

This rule will bar from the list all freak cars and will make certain a large entry list for the events for racing and stock cars. The freaks under the racing of the tide rolled sands are therefore considered bright and the representative of the meet who placed before the promoters at the late salon the entry blanks for the events said that almost without exception, every importer would be on the entry list.

The Flat Company will enter two cars, the Flat Cycl-cars for the events for racing cars, an a stripped stock touring car for the other events. Cedeno, the great Italian driver, will drive both cars. Others will enter the lists without doubt, for promises have been made of a number of foreign car entries. From the promises it is evident that the importers propose to go out for a great clean-up at Ormond and the American makers must enter to defend their laurels and hold their position gained by repeated victories of late in racing and touring events.

YE EDITOR.

"Sir," said the shivering beggar, stopping the prosperous magazine editor on the street. "I have a long, sad story."

"Sorry," briskly replied the magazine editor, passing on, "but we are only open for short, funny stories. Just now full of the other kind."—Success Magazine.

## PATIENTLY PUZZLES FOR SIX WEEKS OVER SMALL BLACK BLOCKS

Washingtonian Evolves Some Remarkable Arrangements for Dominoes.

After employing his time for the past six weeks in the exciting pastime of arranging dominoes in such a manner that they would add up to the same total in various directions, Joseph A. Kaschler, of 649 Second street northeast, has achieved some really remarkable results with the little long blocks.

Mr. Kaschler ingeniously overtook the advertising possibilities of his diversion and frankly admits that he did not do it all on a wager, nor even to claim the legacy left by an eccentric uncle, who wanted to make the legatee earn his money.

One arrangement is in the form of a pyramid. The base and two sides add up to the same result and the two columns from the vertex to the base mount up to the same total, 33, making in all five ways of obtaining the same answer.

Eight Ways to Same Answer.

Even more ingenious is the arrangement in the form of a square. Twenty-eight pieces make up the perimeter. By adding either the inside or outside column of any side of the square the same sum, thirty, is obtained.

But the most remarkable of all is the formation of a cross by using an entire set of dominoes.

Mr. Kaschler seemed especially proud of this achievement and stated that to his knowledge it has not been done before. Manipulators have tried for some time to devise a cross which would add up the same on the parallel columns of both beams and would also bring the same result when the figures on the two sides of the right triangle formed by the intersection of the cross pieces were added.

The Cross Solution.

The contriver has not complied with the full conditions of the requirements stated above. But he has come very near it and is ready with a mathematical demonstration of why the feat cannot be accomplished. He uses the double one blocks for the pivotal pieces at the intersection. Building outward on these five pieces are used for each arm. Six are used for the top, and beginning with the double blank, ten are employed on the lower portion of the figure.

Both columns of the upright piece and both columns of the horizontal bar total forty-three. Coming down and out along the outside columns of the upper portion of the vertical bar the same total is obtained. The fact that the lower portion corresponding to this does bring one less than the required result is the only defect in the figure, and as stated above the inventor can prove by algebra, trigonometry or simple arithmetic, according to the mental endowments of the listener, that the feat of getting more than six similar results by the acoustic arrangements "cannot be accomplished in a hundred years."

HUMOR FROM GERMANY.

First Captain—I have come back quite well after my leave this time.

Second Captain—Ah, that is from the rest and the change of air.

First Captain—It was quite well when I went away.

Second Captain—What? And you have come back well, too? What a constitution you must have.—Lustige Blätter.

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## CAPT. EDWARDS SAYS NO PROS. PLAY FOR HIM

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Dear Sir—I wish you would deny for me the report published in one of the local papers that my team would take on its Northern trip two professional coaches. While Mr. Chism is a member of the Corcoran Cadets, he does not play with them, and he has no intention of going on the trip. As for Mr. Reges, he is not a member and could not be considered by the company for any athletic contests, either as a coach or a representative.

The team will be a representative one and will consist of National Guard Athletic Association members of the A. A. U. Thanking you for the publication of this, I remain, Yours truly,

C. EUGENE EDWARDS, Captain.

## RESERVES TAKE SCALP OF MILITARY PLAYERS

The scalp Company G basketball team of the Capital City League is dangling from the belt of the Reserves of the Young Men's Christian Association as a result of two long-drawn out halves in the winning team's hall last night, score 31 to 9.

The clever passing and accurate shooting of the winners was entirely too much for the less experienced ball tossers from the National Guard League. A large crowd was on hand as this team, was thought to be the only obstacle in the way of the Reserves' possibilities of lightweight champs of the locality.

The work of Hope, the doughty back, and Allen, the diminutive forward, of the Reserves, was the redeeming feature of the struggle and both proved gill-edged performances. The playing of Robey, who was substituted for Windsor in the second half, seemed to enliven the losing five and relieve the monotony of the slowness of play witnessed during the first half. Eastern High, scheduled to meet the boys' department, failed to put in an appearance.

Reserves. Positions. Co. G. Allen.....R. F.....Duncan Kingsbury.....L. P.....Windsor Robey.....Center.....Herbert Hoppe.....R. G.....Ogder Austin, Leonard, L. G.....Salbach Goals—Allen (6), Colly (5), Leonard, Duncan (3), Robey. Free tosses—Allen, Windsor. Time of halves—20 minutes. Referee—Mr. Gass.

A DEADLY INSULT.

A west side youngster was caught literally wiping up the street with another boy with whom he was supposed to be on especially friendly terms. The detector of his pugilistic encounter was his mother, who after she had yanked him into the house, proceeded to deliver a lecture on the sin of fighting. The boy listened for a while in silence.

"That's all right," he broke out at last in uncontrollable indignation. "It's all right for you to talk, but if you just knew what he said about you."

The pause was significant. The mother took alarm.

"About me?" she said. "Why, what on earth did he say about me?"

"He said," blubbered the small boy in impotent wrath, "that you—wear—petticoats."—Exchange.

## FIGHTING GAME TAKES A BRACE EAST AND WEST

Two Good Scraps and McFarland-Murphy Bout.

By JEFF THOMPSON.

NEW YORK, Jan. 11.—The fighting game unquestionably is looking up. The splendid fight put up by Papke with Hugo Kelly and by Moran with Attell, brings two new men close to championship class and return matches are necessary to demonstrate, in each instance, which is the best man.

Now a new candidate for championship honors in the welterweight division comes forward in one Patrick, better known as "Packer" McFarland, the Chicago boiler maker, who is to have a trial with that hard-hitting little Harlemitte, Tommy Murphy, to see whether or not he is entitled to trot in the championship stakes. Those who have seen the stocky Chicago boy shape up, are inclined to believe that he will give a demonstration that the trade of boiler maker is almost as good a school for the training of fighters as is the coo-perage business, which developed such lightning scrappers as Jack Dempsey, the "Nonpareil," the greatest little fighting man that ever stepped in shoes, and Jack McAuliffe, who, in his prime, was the master of the best of them in his class.

Speaking of Jack Dempsey, recalls George La Blanche, "the Marine," who was the first man who ever won a fight from the "Nonpareil." He was a good, strong, shifty fighter, and while I do not, as a rule, take much stock in the chance boxing proposition, it was undoubtedly the luckiest kind of a chance swing which enabled the Marine to put Dempsey away in the thirty-second round, when they met in San Francisco in 1899, and no one knew it better than George. He was so wisely convinced of the fact, however, that he absolutely refused to give Dempsey a return match.

As in the case of a great many sporting men, La Blanche could not stand prosperity.

Another pugilist who filled a big space in the public eye some years ago has received his final knockout at the hands of John Barleycorn. This is George Dixon, "Little Chocolate," who, up to the time he received the soporific punch from "Terrible Teddy" McGovern, was king of the featherweights. Dixon was a natural fighter, and his champion status was beyond question, but John Barleycorn was too much for him, and he died in the alcoholic ward of Bellevue Hospital. May he rest in peace.

That is a funny story going the rounds about Jim Jeffries. It appears that after the Attell-Moran scrap, which big Jim refereed, he started to take in the town.

Mr. Jeffries heard the news and started after him. The story goes that he found the big fellow just as he had begun to blow in his \$1,000 fee in bubble water, and other things, and the remarkable spectacle of the heavyweight champion of the world being led along the street by a rather small woman, whose false legs grates and he with ear, was presented. I do not vouch for the truth of this story, but it comes with good backing from Frisco.

Little Owen Moran is one of the few fighters who never posed as an amateur. His first fight, outside the non-sports scraps with the kids on the block, was in a professional tournament in Whitechapel. The tournament lasted for three days, and in that time Moran took the measurement of seventeen pretty tough kids and so was launched on his career as a professional fighter.